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In re application of

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PRODUCTION OF N-SUBSTITUTED
2,7-DIALKYL-4-HYDROXY-5-AMINO-
8-ARYL-OCTANOYLAMIDES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert:

This application is a 371 application of PCT/CH00/00384 filed July 13, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 8, 11-12, 15 and 17-18 as follows:

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8. (Amended) A process according to any one of claims 1 to 7 comprising the preparation
of diastereomers of formula Ia

